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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the election requirement mailed on December 7, 2005, Applicant hereby elects the species I covered by claims 23-26.

Applicant's election is made without prejudice. As noted by the Examiner, upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of the generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

No fee is believed to be due in connection with this response. If, however, the Commissioner considers that a fee is due in connection with this response, authorization is made to charge any fee which may be required to Deposit Account No. 502447.

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A prompt and favorable action on the merits of this application is now respectfully requested.

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